

CHRIST CHURCH

The Messenger

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Spring Forward

If it seems early this morning, that's because it is! The spring time change took place Sunday morning, which means our clocks jumped ahead an hour. For the next 7 1/2 months, we will enjoy more light in the evenings. On Sunday, November 3, we will regain that hour of sleep that we lost last night.

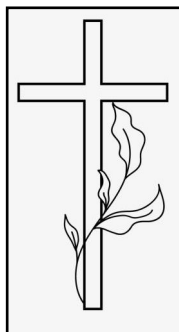


SPRING FORWARD
SET CLOCKS AHEAD ONE HOUR

Burial Commission

Thank You!!!! A special thanks to the following parishioners who volunteered to be part of the Christ Church Burial Commission. All of us at Christ Church appreciate you future time and dedication for helping the Church with such a meaningful ministry service.

- Chris McCrudden
- Peter Mnatzakanian
- Butch Ricks
- Steve Skiffington
- Mark West
- Mike Wilson



Documentary Screening of *The Philadelphia Eleven*

Watch *The Philadelphia Eleven*, a compelling new documentary film about the first women to become Episcopal priests.

In 1974, no canon specifically forbade women from becoming priests in The Episcopal Church, but diocesan standing committees and bishops to that point had almost uniformly rejected women's requests for ordination to the priesthood.

On July 29, 1974, three retired bishops agreed to ordain the 11 women, even though doing so without the approval of diocesan leadership could be seen as violating canonical law and church tradition. Church leaders debated the validity of the women's ordinations for two years until General Convention approved a new section of the church's ordination canons in September 1976 saying its provisions "shall be equally applicable to men and women."

The film shows how a brave group of women shattered the stained-glass ceiling by challenging the very core of patriarchal culture to seek ordination as priests in the Episcopal Church. It is a powerful story of faith and conviction. It is a story for all of us, regardless of faith tradition.

Their story prompts questions such as what does a just and inclusive community look like in practice? How do we break down barriers with grace and remain true to ourselves in the process? How do we, as either the protagonist or as an ally, stand up to institutions that do not allow people to be who they are called to be? How do we practice radical inclusivity?

Join us for lunch and a screening of the film, beginning at 12:00 pm, Saturday, March 16th. Scan the QR code, click on the graphic, or go to <http://tinyurl.com/philly1ccnb> to register. A \$10 donation is suggested.

**JOIN CHRIST EPISCOPAL
CHURCH FOR LUNCH
AND A FILM SCREENING**

@PhilElevenDoc



**The
Philadelphia Eleven**

Saturday, March 16 | 12:00 PM

**320 Pollock Street
New Bern, NC**

\$10 Donation Suggested

RSVP



ECW News

MARCH MEETING AND FIELD TRIP

Please join us this Monday, March 11th for a 'field' trip meeting! We will meet in the Parish House at 10 am for a brief meeting and then walk or car-pool to the New Bern Fire Department Museum for a private tour.

If you'd like a little pre-tour knowledge of the history behind the Department, go to newbernfiremuseum.com/history. There is some fascinating information on this site.

We look forward to seeing you Monday - either at the meeting at 10 am or at the museum (420 Broad St.) at 11 am. There is limited parking in their lot so please park nearby.

ECW INTEREST SURVEY

The National Episcopal Church Women and its local groups are ministries of the Episcopal Church and celebrate that Episcopalians believe in a loving, liberating, and life-giving God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If you are an adult female member of the Episcopal Church, you are a member of our Christ Church All Saints Chapter. Our monthly meetings feature interesting speakers and workshops, which we alternate with fun field trips throughout the year. We host several annual fundraisers, which benefit both Christ Church and local community groups. We also actively reach out to our youth, GIG children, seniors and home-bound parishioners.

In an effort to revitalize our All Saints Chapter, we want and need your input. We invite all women of our parish to please go to the link provided below and complete the survey which is provided. Copies of the survey are also available at the Reception Desk. Completed hardcopy surveys may be left with the receptionist. If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please contact either Pam Miller (pammiller950@gmail.com) or Rodney Hayes (rodneyhayes@yahoo.com). Thank you so much for taking the time to do the survey. We hope it will help guide us to a bigger and stronger ECW for all.

[ECW Interest Survey](#)

Scholarship Opportunity

The Ann Bustard Award was created to honor the service of Ann Bustard to Christian Education as Director of Children's Ministries. The Scholarship is awarded to a graduating high school senior member of Christ Church who demonstrates academic excellence, participation in extracurricular activities, as well as leadership, service and participation in church activities. Those eligible must complete the application form and submit a transcript of high school grades to the award selection committee. Application forms are available at the reception desk and this [link](#). The deadline is noon on March 28th.



To register for the Spring Arts and Crafts Market, click on the graphic or go to

<http://tinyurl.com/CCNB-2024-Spring-Market>.

Churchyard Clean-Up

10 am - 1 pm, Saturday, April 27

Please put this on your calendar to come, have fun, and help spruce up the church grounds. All kinds of fun things will be going on like trimming hedges, spreading mulch, playground chips, power washing, and more. The list of things that need to be done gets longer every day. We need as many people as possible. Remember that "many hands make light work." Come and be a part of this fun-filled event and get involved. The nursery will be open for the entire clean-up period. Please contact Rick Miller with any questions (301.502.5268 or rickmiller950@hotmail.com)



Truewood by Merrill Eucharist

The monthly eucharist offered by Christ Church at Truewood by Merrill will now be held on the third Wednesday of the month at 10 am. The service had previously been on Thursday mornings, but residents of Truewood have requested this change, and we are happy to accommodate. If you have any questions, please contact The Rev. Suzanne Hood (suzannehood@christchurch-newbern.com)

In peace we pray to you, Lord God

For parishioners who have requested

prayers: Mike Pridden, Mary Hasell, Betty Jane Bonapartian, Champ Mitchell, Janet Anderson, Bob Kohn, Susan Rivenbark, Warren Meadows, Hal Cameron, Joe Mansfield, Barbara Odderstol*, Jim Keeter, M. Carolyn Lawson, Evelyn Hunter, Katherine Gill, Kathy Blanchard, Pat McCotter, Ralph Cowan, David Watrous, Vicky Allen, Lindy Emory, DJ Bessack, Carol Kross, Carol Athing, Rena Knott, CB Evans*, Mike McCulley, Willis Stevens, Betsy Primavera, Mollie Bales, Robert Lane, Sheridan Holstein, Judy MacDougall, Vickie Evans*, Joan Kunkle, Margaret Scott*, Jim Banks, Jim Gruenebaum, Ann, Kaye Frampton Brown, Myra Lewis, Sandy Valentine, Eugene Simon, Frank Rice, Geoff Wood, Charlie Henke, Peter Mnatzakanian, Darrin Embrey, Tony Embrey, Caroline Schnoebelen, Ken McCotter, Richard Marsh, John Sessums, Terry Rich, Martha, Peter Hayes, Linda McAlister, and Michele Mnatzakanian.

For our friends and families: Liesel, Niels, Trinity, Mary, Ann, George, Anne, Bruce, Nancy, Lynda, Mike, Connor, Stephen, Inez, Ed, Karen, Bob, Cortney, Craig, Larry, Eleanor, Julie, Santa, Teresa, Monika, Margie, Laurissa, Paul, Stephanie, Pam, Ellen, Kate, Corey, Stephanie, Bambi, Justin, Judy, Nancy, Paula, Kelly Ann, Lois, Laurissa, Martha, Melissa, Melissa, Anna, Dave, Elle, Halle, Mariya, Laura, Mary Ann, Billy, Bob, Ted, Rosemary, Bill, Naomi, Carol, Joseph, Jimmy, Grant, Eunice, William, Marie, Melanie, Sylvia, Aline, Rose, Rosemarie, Shelly, Susie, Larry, Anne Marie, Ginny, Lisa, Louise, Selma, Jackie, Kathi, Julia, Ardean, John, Peggy, Margaret, Jackson, Julie, Butch, Jim, Joan, Wes, Gerry, Mandy, Jim, Larry, Hamp, Belinda, Brittany, Laura, Norman, Claudia, Cathy, Don, Al, Kristy, Yordan, Elizabeth, Angie, Yumi, Peter, John, Adam, Rosemary, and Betty.

For our deployed military: Lt. Christopher Miller, Pvt. Michael Gormley, Jr., 1st Lt. Jake Ballard, Cpt. John Koskinen.

For refugee families and those seeking asylum.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Christ Church, Elizabeth City; Holy Innocents, Seven Springs

**These parishioners live out of the area but have requested to remain on the Christ Church prayer list.*

If you would like to add or remove someone from the list, contact [Betsy Downard](#).

Spring Lectionary Guides

The study guides for the Spring Lectionary Class are now available. They can be picked up either at the Reception Desk or in the Pelletier Room.



REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

Please note that not all weekly church events are listed here. If there are no changes to your regularly scheduled event, it might not appear below. The entire Christ Church calendar can be found at www.christchurchnewbern.com/calendar and in the Sunday morning email. Signs with the complete calendar are posted on the kiosk in the Reception Area and the bulletin board across from the Library. Daily calendar signs are posted on the church's exterior doors.

Sunday, March 10

8:30 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave)

9:45 am: Sunday School for All Ages

9:45 am: Lenten Series - Pauli Murray (Library)

11 am: Eucharist Rite I (Nave / [Online](#))

5 pm: Parents' Night Out

Monday, March 11

5:30 pm: Lector / EM Quarterly Meeting (Nave)

6 pm: Lenten Series: Have a Beautiful Terrible Lent (via Zoom)

Tuesday, March 12

7 am: Al-Anon Meeting (2nd Floor Living Room)

8:30 am: Eucharist (Chapel)

6:30 pm: Small Wonders NA Meeting (Pelletier Room)

Wednesday, March 13

12 pm: Bach Musical Meditations (Nave)

5:30 pm: Lenten Series: Wandering Heart (Library)

6:15 pm: AA Meeting (Harrison Center)

Thursday, March 14

5:30 pm: Outreach Commission Meeting

Saturday, March 16

10 am: New Beginnings Team Meeting (Pelletier Room)

12:30 pm: *The Philadelphia Eleven* Screening (Parish House)

5 pm: Foyers (Offsite)

Sunday, March 17

8:30 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave)

9:45 am: Sunday School for All Ages

9:45 am: Lenten Series - Pauli Murray (Library with Zoom)

11 am: Eucharist Rite I (Nave / [Online](#))



STEPHEN MINISTRY

Let us not give up meeting together,
as some are in the habit of doing,
but let us encourage one another.

Hebrews 10:25a

THE GOODS

Lenten Series - Pauli Murray

During the Sunday School hour on Sunday, March 17, Ms. Calvetta Watlington, Managing Director of The Pauli Murray Center, will join us via Zoom. The class has been studying the life of Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray and invites parishioners interested in learning about the Pauli Murray Center in Durham to get to know this remarkable disciple of Christ. Space in the library is limited, but more chairs can be added if needed.

Parking Lot Update

Due to increased unauthorized parking in our Craven Street lot, we are becoming stricter on cars that are allowed to park there. We are patrolling the lot during the day and placing warning notices on cars that we do not recognize. After receiving a first warning, a car will be towed.

To help us easily recognize your car, we highly encourage you get a Christ Church parking sticker. We have both stickers that you can place inside your window and on the outside. Parking stickers may be obtained at the Reception Desk when the church is open. Should you need assistance, please contact Jimi Paderick (jimipaderick@christchurchnewbern.com).

We appreciate your patience and support, while we work to maintain the safety of our Craven Street parking lot, as well as provide ample parking for our parishioners.



Christ Church Cooks

Help! Our freezer is nearly full. Please take several items to anyone who needs a quick meal, whether they are sick, lonely and need a visit, new to the parish or any other reason -- that includes your own needs. The frozen food options include beef stew, heartland chili, macaroni and cheese, beef and vegetable soup, gazpacho, BBQ, chicken and apple bake, and baked beans.

March Faith Connection Meeting

The March Faith Connection meeting will take place at 4 pm, Thursday, March 21, at the Word of God Christian Center (3650 Neuse Blvd). The presentation will be "An Unlikely Journey" by Mitch Lewis, Executive Director of Arts to End Genocide (ATEG). ATEG was founded in 2014 with a core mission of using the power of art to educate about human rights and to provide advocacy actions to improve health outcomes of vulnerable children and women in the developing world.

Where Can You Plug In?

- **Worship:** Volunteer to serve in our upcoming services. March services can be found [here](#). Maundy Thursday / Good Friday Watch shifts are [here](#). For more information contact Sarah Risty Davis at sarahristydavis@christchurchnewbern.com.
- **Volunteer Receptionists:** If you can help us answer the phones, welcome visitors, and complete odd jobs here and there, we'd love to have you! Reserve March shifts [here](#).
- **Coffee Hours:** We all enjoy coffee hour, but we need hosts to make them happen. To volunteer to host an upcoming coffee hour, click [here](#). Thank you to Randy and Joanie Bogle for hosting this Sunday's Coffee Hours.
- **Decorating the Church for Easter:** Come help us beautify the interior of Christ Church for Easter from 9 - 11 am, Saturday, March 30. All ages welcome. Please contact Sims Wayt at simswayt@embarqmail.com if you have any questions.
- **Spring Backpack Blessings Build:** The spring dates are March 11 and 12. Times are 6 - 8 pm on March 11, and 8:30 am - 6 pm on March 12. Our location is in Morris Hall at Garber Church. Fun, fellowship and service all at one time! We can't do it without you! Sign up at the [link](#).

Bach Musical Meditation Series

Come, sit, and listen to the entire cycle of Bach's preludes and fugues from book one of The Well-Tempered Clavier on piano. Book one contains 24 prelude and fugues, one in every major and minor key. They were originally meant for musicians to study and not intended for performance. However, over the years musicians have enjoyed performing and recording these masterworks; Glenn Gould being among the more famous. This musical offering is meant to give space for meditation and reflection as we walk together through the weeks of Lent. Wednesdays 12:00 - 12:30 pm in the Nave.

Here is a look at the remaining schedule:

Wednesday, March 13, 2024

No. 13 in F# major, BWV 858 No. 15 in G major, BWV 860
No. 14 in F# minor, BWV 859 No. 16 in G minor, BWV 861

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

No. 17 in A-flat major, BWV 862 No. 19 in A major, BWV 864
No. 18 in G# minor, BWV 863 No. 20 in A minor, BWV 865

Wednesday, March 27, 2024

No. 21 in B-flat major, BWV 866 No. 23 in B major, BWV 868
No. 22 in B-flat minor, BWV 867 No. 24 in B minor, BWV 869